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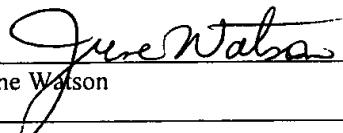
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed on July 29, 2003.

A copy of the pending claims is presented beginning on page 2 for the convenience of the Examiner.

Remarks begin on page 5.